



2025-26 World Literature ELA (12th Grade) Summer Reading

60 Point Summative

Due September 1st, 2025, at 11:59 pm

If you submit late, the highest grade you can receive is a 30

ANY ACADEMIC DISHONESTY (PLAGIARISM / AI DETECTION) WILL RESULT IN A ZERO

Read ONE of the following texts

- *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote
https://ebooksgallery.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/In-Cold-Blood-by-Truman-Capote-ebooksgallery.com_.pdf
- *Dracula* by Bram Stoker
<https://www.gutenberg.org/files/345/345-h/345-h.htm>
- *The Stranger* by Albert Camus
<https://www.slps.org/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=27607&dataid=78367&FileName=The%20Stranger%20-%20Albert%20Camus.pdf>
- *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* by Ken Kesey
<https://ct02210097.schoolwires.net/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=26616&dataid=28469&FileName=One%20Flew%20Over%20the%20Cuckoos%20Nest.pdf>

Alternate Ending Creative Free Write

- Write the summary of an alternate ending you have created for the book (1 paragraph, 5-7 sentences).
- Write one paragraph, 5-7 sentences, explaining why you made the choices that you did for your ending. Also explain which ending you prefer and why.
- Personal pronouns may be used for this section but proofread for grammatical errors.

Short Paper

- Write a short paper (1 page, Times New Roman, 12-point font) answering the following prompt: What does the text say about what it means to be human?
- Use evidence from the text to support your argument. APA In text citations must be used when paraphrasing and quoting. You should have several in text citations.
- Proofread for grammatical errors and or lapses in professional tone. No personal pronouns should be used. Do not ask questions of your audience either.

Reference the Grading Rubric (next page) for assignment evaluation information.

Keep in mind that you must also submit a draft of your college essay. This will be graded and will be due by the start of the school day on September 15th. You will submit through our Course Page on Schoology.

	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Standard	Approaches Standard	Needs Improvement
Alternate Ending	Student's alternate ending is original, meets the length requirement and accompanies an analysis of their personal choices and explanation	Student's alternate ending does not differentiate enough from the original ending and/or needs more creativity/does not meet the length requirement	Student's alternate ending lacks creativity and/or does not meet the exact expectations of the component	Student's alternate ending and personal analysis fails to meet expectations
Short Paper	Student's short paper meets the length requirement, answers the complete prompt effectively and uses appropriate evidence with three correctly formatted APA in text citations.	Student's short paper does not meet length requirement and/or is wholly not complete, doesn't include enough suitable evidence	Student's short paper lacks suitable evidence and/or is not complete	Student's short paper fails to use suitable evidence to reach the length requirement
Writing and Mechanics	Student's writing is formal, demonstrates an understanding of the text and has flawless grammar	Student's writing is not completely formal, is not completely accurate and/or has some errors	Student's writing lacks formality, lacks full comprehension of the text and/or has several errors	Student's writing fails to understand the text, fails to use professional grammar or tone